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### Standard Operating Procedure Steam Pole Removal

#### Safety Equipment Required:

- Gloves
- Hard hat
- Hearing protection
- Safety shoes

#### Equipment required:

- Boom truck
- Flatbed truck
- Rigging straps or cables

#### **PROCEDURE**

1. Perform the Operator's Daily Check List inspection on both vehicles and fill out the associated paperwork.
2. At the job site, set up the boom truck close to the pole, see SOP 600 HVE 001.
3. Turn on all rotating beacons and emergency flashers.
4. Set down the outriggers and level the truck.
5. If in roadway set barricades and/or cones to direct traffic around job site, see SOP 600 HVE 12, Traffic Control Devices.
6. Verify pole is free of any piping or guy wires.
7. Attach the rigging cables and a rope or nylon strap to guide the pole.
8. Pull the pole. Rock the pole left and right, forward and back to loosen the dirt at the base. Maintain control of the pole with the guide rope/strap. Barricade the hole.
9. Place the pole on the flatbed truck.
10. Back fill the hole with topsoil.
11. Clean up the job site and the truck.